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Wayne County has scheduled a Household Hazardous Waste Collection this Saturday, Aug. 25 in the parking lot of the WestlandShoppingCenter.
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Police rule 4 deaths murder, suicide

Van Buren Township Police are treating the deaths of a family of four last week as a murder suicide committed by the husband and father, according to Police Capt. Gregory Laurain.

The bodies of Linda Lee Vanderlinden, 34, and her children, Julien, 7, and Matthew, 4, were discovered by police officers who went to the home on the 6600 block of Anna Drive last Thursday morning. The officers went to the home after being contacted by the LaPorte County Medical Examiners in Indiana regarding the death of Michael Vanderlinden, 39, in a head-on automobile crash near Michigan City, IN.

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“At this time we have no evidence to indicate there was anyone other than the husband responsible,” Laurain said. “We are continuing the investigation, talking to family and neighbors and re-interviewing witnesses, but nothing indicates any other individual was responsible.”

Officers went to the home last Thursday to

make the death notification to the family, according to Laurain, but the officers were unable to make contact with anyone in the home

Neighbors told the officers that it was unusual that no one was answering the door and the officers found a family vehicle in the garage. The officers tried the front door to the home, found it unlocked and entered the residence.

After loudly identifying themselves several times to no response, the officers began a cursory look in the rooms of the home. They dis-

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‘We Are One’ Wayne, Westland celebrate official merger of fire service

The Wayne and Westland communities had something to celebrate this week with the official opening of the newly consolidated Wayne-Westland Fire Administration Building.

The ceremony made the move of the Westland Fire Administration into the headquarters at the four-year-old station on Wayne Road in Wayne official. The building is now called the Wayne-Westland Fire Administration Building. Fire Chief Michael Reddy will oversee the operation of the joint department.

Reddy retired as the Westland Fire Chief and is now a contract employee. The new agreement will save Wayne about \$140,000 per year and Westland about \$180,000 each year. Additionally, a new fire administration building in Westland which had been discussed is no longer necessary.

The two communities were also able to apply for six-month extensions on their SAFER federal grants which currently fund nine firefighters in Westland and five in Wayne. The grant extensions would prevent any layoffs when scheduled retirements are factored in, noted Reddy. Currently, the Westland department has 68 uniformed and two non-uniform personnel while there are 18 on the Wayne staff. The combined force of 88 will now serve the 84,000 residents of Westland and 17,000 residents of Wayne.

A \$1.4 million Economical Vitality Incentive Program grant would also pay for

the replacement of air packs and nozzles, making them consistent for vehicles and fire fighting equipment in both communities and fund new uniforms and vehicle signage. The grant is available to the joint operation as part of Gov. Rick Snyder's Dashboard priorities, rewarding communities that operate using “best practices” and one set of operating procedures used in both cities.

“I am proud to be involved in such an innovative venture with Mayor (Al) Haidous and the City of Wayne. With the plan being

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Wayne-Westland Fire Chief Michael Reddy displays one of the We Are One shirts commemorating the consolidation of the two departments last Monday morning.



Wayne City Manager Robert English, Westland Mayor William Wild, Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, Wayne Mayor Al Haidous and Fire Chief Michael Reddy celebrate the fire service consolidation of Wayne and Westland. Photos by Dave Willett

Northville wins \$582,000 federal fire safety grant

Northville Township officials have approved and accepted a two-year \$582,000 public safety grant.

The federal grant, called SAFER, Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response, will allow the township to maintain the fire department at the full complement and recommended minimum staffing levels required

for the 28,600 Northville Township residents.

“My pledge has always been to keep our (public safety) service delivery at a safe level,” said Township Manager Chip Snider, explaining that the master plan requires 30 firefighter/paramedics for a full complement. The township will immediately hire four more firemen for the three pla-



Northville Township Fire Chief Richard Marinucci, left, and Public Safety Director John Werth listen to Township Manager Chip Snider discuss the new federal grant.

toons.

“Now we will be able to increase our fire department staff from 26 to 30 firefighters, cost-free for two years, and we're saving almost \$600,000,” Snider said.

The grants were established for the hiring of new firefighters and have a two-year period of performance. The federal funds provide fire departments with funding to pay 100 percent of the salaries and benefits of newly hired firefighters. If for any reason during the two-year period, the township is unable to sustain the required staffing levels, the grant does not have to be retained, explained Northville Director of Public Safety John Werth who made the presentation to the board of trustees.

Snider said it's critical to have enough staff to cover training and sick days and be prepared to respond to any major emergency.

Snider said he can't take credit for the SAFER grant but emphasized his pride in the work and

efforts of Werth. Fire Chief Richard Marinucci and the members of the township board of trustees, who unanimously approved the grant. Marinucci, who has been the Northville chief for four years, has more than 33 years of fire department experience, said the township began the grant application process more than a year ago.

“When we applied in 2011, the economy was the real driving factor. When property values went down, there was little or no new development, plus property values declined and accordingly there was a decline in our revenue”, Marinucci said. “We had to demonstrate the need to provide a minimum level of service. The SAFER grant is a competitive grant.

“We've had great deal of support from our elected officials”, the chief added.

The two-year term of the grant begins when the first new firefighter is hired by the township.

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supported by both the Westland and Wayne city councils and fire unions, this is a real win-win for all,” said Westland Mayor William Wild.

Wild added that through the agreement, both cities will have access to more fire personnel on a daily basis, increasing public safety without placing a burden on the taxpayers. He added that the merger creates long-term savings by eliminating duplication of management and supplies, while concurrently reducing employee costs.

“The new Wayne-Westland Fire Administration headquarters represents a new way forward for local governments to reduce costs through consolidation while continuing to meet their critical public safety duties,” said Lt. Gov. Brian

Calley, who attended the ceremony last Monday morning. “As Governor Snyder outlined in his special message on public safety, intergovernmental agreements can overcome challenges through collaborative, comprehensive and long-term approaches, and we applaud Wayne and Westland for setting a great example. It’s this type of teamwork that will help reinvent Michigan,” added Calley.

“We have worked really hard and a lot of people have put forth the extra effort in making this a reality. I think you are going to see a lot more of this, not only in our communities, but across the state and we hope to be the blueprint for these future efforts,” said Wayne Mayor Al Haidous.

The Wayne and Westland firefighters on staff have independent union bargaining agreements with their respective communities and the terms of those agreements are being respected, according to Wild.

Deaths

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covered the body of Linda Vanderlinden and the bodies of the two children.

The Wayne County Medical Examiner performed autopsies on all three to determine the cause of death. Linda Vanderlinden was killed by strangulation and suffered a secondary stab wound to her chest. The children were killed by multiple stab wounds to the chest and arms.

The Medical Examiner also determined that the 8 ½-inch butcher knife police found at the scene was consistent with the stab wounds on the bodies. The coroner was unable, however, to establish a time of death for the three family members.

The crash that killed Michael Vanderlinden took place on I-94 at

around 1:25 a.m. Thursday morning, according to police reports. The Indiana State Police were unable to find anything of evidentiary value in the vehicle, a Chrysler 300, driven by Michael Vanderlinden which erupted in flames after the crash. A witness told the Indiana Troopers that the vehicle being driven by Vanderlinden was traveling the wrong way without headlights when it crashed head-on into a Chevrolet Monte Carlo. The driver of that vehicle, Juan Nelson, 45, of Portage, IN, was trapped inside the burning wreckage of his vehicle after the crash. Both he and Vanderlinden died of fourth-degree burns and blunt force trauma, according to La Porte County Coroner John Sullivan.

Police sources said there were no signs of forcible entry or robbery at the Van Buren Township home. Van Buren Police seized computers and a telephone

answering device from the residence. A witness told officers canvassing the neighborhood that Vanderlinden left the home about 9:30 Wednesday evening alone.

Other sources told police that there was a strain in the marriage and that Michael Vanderlinden, an IT professional, was in the process of moving out of the residence. Police had been called last November when Michael Vanderlinden overdosed on sleeping pills.

Funeral services for Linda Vanderlinden and her children took place at Apsey Funeral Home in Deckerville. A fund has been established to defray the cost of the burials. Contribution can be sent to DeLeon Fund, c/o Eastern Michigan Bank, 3636 Main St., Deckerville, 48427. There is also a website collection under way at: <http://fundrazr.com/campaigns/dLp0b?psid=f053c376cbdb4424a02f31037b5138e0=>

nitions: Sec. 54-1. Definitions. Charitable, religious or political organization means a not-for-profit charitable, religious, political, benevolent, educational, philanthropic, humane, patriotic, or civic organization of persons, registered and in good standing under Section 501(c) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code, that solicits or obtains contributions solicited from the public for charitable, religious or political purposes. Commercial purposes means any business or activity carried on for profit. Non-commercial purposes means any purpose other than that involving a business or activity carried on for profit, including, but not limited to, a political, religious or charitable purpose, or activity sponsored by a political, religious, not-for-profit charitable, benevolent, educational, philanthropic, humane, patriotic or civic organization of persons, registered and in good standing under Section 501(c)(3) of the Federal Internal Revenue Code. Sec. 54-4. Hours of Operation. It shall be unlawful for any person to conduct, or attempt to conduct, any canvassing, soliciting or peddling before the hours of 9:00 a.m. and after the hours of 8:00 p.m., according to the official time followed by the township, at any location within the township. Sec. 54-5. Use and restrictions of stops, scales, bells, horns, etc. (a) No person shall stop in any one place longer than is necessary to make a sale, stop on private property without the consent of the property owner, and/or stop for a period of longer than 30 minutes at any time. No person shall stop for the purposes of selling or offering to sell any food products within a distance of 300 feet from any public, private or parochial school building, or the lands on which such buildings are located in the township on any day during which school is in session. No person operating as a solicitor, canvasser or peddler shall interfere with traffic or cause or permit large numbers of persons, especially children, to congregate upon the public streets. (b) It shall be unlawful for any person to call out or make any noise of any kind whatsoever, or to use a bell, horn or other noise making device so as to unreasonably disturb persons in the immediate vicinity for an extended period of time with the purpose of attracting persons to buy goods such licensee has for sale. Sec. 54-7. Supervision of minors. Where minors are brought to an area of the Township for purposes of peddling and soliciting for a commercial purpose at the request of and under the direction of an adult, such minors shall at all times be under the direct supervision of a responsible adult who has obtained a license as required by section 54-31. Sec. 54-8. Misrepresentation. (a) No fraudulent or misleading representations to any person shall be made in connection with any peddling or soliciting activities, including, but not limited to, any misleading representation concerning the product or service involved, the purposes for which contributions solicited will be used, the name of the peddler or solicitor, the trade name and nature of the parent organization, or the purposes for which the parent organization was organized. (b) No person shall represent that the issuance of a solicitor registration certificate under this chapter is an endorsement by the township of the particular parent organization, solicitor or purposes of the soliciting involved, and any such representation is declared to be a misrepresentation of fact. Sec. 54-9. Fixed stands prohibited. No peddler or solicitor shall establish a fixed stand and/or store for soliciting upon any street, road, highway, lane, sidewalk, driveway, alley or publicly-owned property, unless said stand and/or store shall be in compliance with all applicable provisions of Appendix A to this Code, the Zoning Ordinance. Sec. 54-31. Required. (a) Unless exempt, it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in or carry on the business of soliciting, canvassing or peddling for commercial purposes in the township as defined section 54-1, without first obtaining a license in compliance with the provisions of this chapter. (b) Unless exempt, it shall be unlawful for any person to operate as a solicitor, canvasser, or peddler without first having obtained a license for each vehicle, piece of equipment or container used in connection therewith. Sec. 54-33. Investigation; issuance or denial; appeal of denial. (a) [Unchanged.] (b) The clerk may refuse to issue a license to: (1) [Unchanged.] (2) A person unless the application is fully and completely filled, and the applicant discloses fully all arrests and convictions other than those that are traffic related. Failure to completely and truthfully complete the application shall be cause for denial. (3) [Unchanged.] (4) (4) A person who is not convicted of a felony or any crime related to or involving larceny, assault, fraud, receiving and concealing stolen property, embezzlement, robbery, home invasion, breaking and entering, theft, dishonesty, false statement or fraudulent scheme, trick or device, a violation of any municipal solicitation ordinance within the 2 years prior to the application being submitted to the township, or any crime that is an unreasonable threat to persons or property within the township. (c) - (d) [Unchanged.] Sec. 54 - 34. Exemptions; registration of charitable and nonprofit organizations. (a) Persons involved in soliciting, canvassing, or peddling for a noncommercial purpose, and persons involved in peddling or soliciting for a commercial purpose, shall be exempt from the licensing or registration requirements of this chapter, but shall be subject to the other sections of this chapter. (b) Persons under the age of 18 years old shall be exempt from registering or licensing as a solicitor, canvasser or peddler. Each person under 12 years of age must be accompanied by his parent or legal guardian during all times of soliciting, canvassing or peddling. (c) Any person who has obtained a peddler's license from the state pursuant to Public Act No. 359 of 1921 (MCL 35.441 et seq.) on account of such person being honorably discharged from the United States Armed Forces or the United States Coast Guard shall be exempt from the licensing provisions of this article. Sec. 54-35 - Fees. (a) A license fee for soliciting, canvassing and peddling for commercial purposes shall be established by resolution of the township board. The township board may, from time to time, modify the established fee schedule. This fee is separate from the application fee described in section 54-32. (b) [Unchanged.] Sec. 54-36. - Term and limitation. (a) [Unchanged.] (b) [Unchanged.] (c) A permit issued under this chapter shall not entitle the applicant to peddle or solicit for commercial purposes at any township or Downtown Development Authority jurisdiction. Rather, an appropriate township department or the Downtown Development Authority to be a vendor at any such event. A representative list of events is attached to this ordinance; however, it shall be the responsibility of the applicant to verify the events and the specific dates on which they will be held each year. Soliciting at any township or Downtown Development Authority event without a proper application may result in suspension or revocation of a license issued under this chapter. Sec. 54-39. License suspension or revocation. (a) The township clerk may suspend a license for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days upon receipt of a written request, based on his or her investigation or upon certification by the police department that any of the following circumstances exists: (1) The licensee failed to truthfully provide in his or her application the information required in this chapter, or that the licensee has engaged in a fraudulent transaction or enterprise; (2) The licensee has been convicted of a violation of federal, state, or local laws, ordinances, or regulations reflecting adversely on the licensee's ability to conduct the business for which the license has been issued in an honest and legal manner, including, but not limited to, burglary, theft, larceny, swindling, fraud, unlawful business practice, any form of act that threatened physical harm against another person, or any type of criminal sexual conduct; (3) The licensee is listed on any criminal sex offender registry or has any outstanding warrants for any misdemeanor or felony and such information was not disclosed on the application; (4) If the licensee will be engaging in peddling from or out of a motor vehicle in the streets and roads of the township, the licensee's drivers license has been suspended or revoked or the licensee has been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony moving violation; or (5) The licensee has, in the course of peddling in the township, engaged in conduct that is contrary to the peace, privacy, safety, health and welfare of the residents, businesses and persons in the township. (b) A licensee shall be given written notice of the cause and term of the suspension and of the right to have such suspension reviewed, modified or affirmed following a hearing to be conducted by the township board at the next available board meeting, but in all cases not later than twenty-one (21) days following receipt of a written request by the licensee. At the hearing, the licensee shall have the right to hear the evidence relied upon by the clerk and the right to present evidence and witnesses on his or her behalf. At the hearing, or at an adjourned date, the township board shall determine whether to revoke, modify or affirm the suspension and shall put its decision into effect. If the township board determines that the township clerk shall forward to the licensee. (c) Before a license or registration can be revoked, the township board shall serve the licensee holder or registered applicant, by first class mail, mailed not less than four days prior to the hearing with a notice of hearing, which notice shall contain the following: (1) Notice of proposed action. (2) Reason for the proposed action. (3) Date, time and place of hearing. (4) A statement that licensee may present evidence and testimony and confront adverse witnesses. Following the hearing, the township board shall submit to the township a written statement of its findings and determination. (d) The township board shall revoke a license by registration issued under this article upon determination by it that based upon competent, material and substantial evidence presented at the hearing, either of the following exists: (1) A violation of any of the prohibitions set forth in this article. (2) The person, entity or organization is engaged or has engaged in any fraudulent scheme, device or trick in any place in the township to obtain money or other valuable things, or is aiding or abetting any person engaged in such scheme, device or trick. SECTION 2. VIOLATION AND PENALTY. Any person or entity that violates any provision of this Ordinance may, upon conviction, be fined not more than Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars or imprisoned not more than Ninety (90) days, or both, in the discretion of the court. SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY. If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application of thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provisions not have been included in this ordinance. SECTION 4. REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES. All Ordinance or parts of Ordinance is conflict herewith is hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect. SECTION 5. SAVINGS CLAUSE. All rights and duties which have matured penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance. SECTION 6. PUBLICATION. The Clerk for the Charter Township of Canton shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law. SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force and effect upon publication as required by law. CERTIFICATION. The foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton at its regular meeting called and held on the 24th day of July, 2012, and was ordered to be given publication in the manner required by law. Introduced: July 10, 2012 Adopted: August 14, 2012 Published: August 23, 2012 Item 4. APPOINTMENT TO DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD. (SUPERVISOR). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin that the Canton Township Board of Trustees appoint Seth Kleinglass to serve on the Board of Directors of the Downtown Development Authority of the Charter Township of Canton for a four-year term ending August 14, 2016. Motion carried by all members present. Item 5. APPOINTMENT TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS. (MSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to appoint Daben Zuber to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a four-year term ending August 23, 2015. Motion carried by all members present. Item 6. CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT (JAG) 2011. (PSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve acceptance of the Justice Assistance Grant #2011-DJ-BX-2481 in the amount of \$10,045. Motion carried by all members present. Item 7. RECEIVE AND FILE THE BOARD OF CANVASSER'S REPORT FOR THE AUGUST 7, 2012 PRIMARY ELECTION RESULTS. (CLERK). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to receive and file the report of the Board of Canvasser's meeting on August 9, 2012 and to attach this certification to the August 7, 2012 Primary Election to the meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees on August 14, 2012. Motion carried by all members present. GENERAL CALENDAR. Item 1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SUPERVISOR AND CLERK TO SIGN DEED TO FELLOWS CREEK AS PART OF TAX TRIBUNAL SETTLEMENT. (MSD) Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to authorize the Township Clerk and Supervisor to sign the deed of property from the Township to Robertson Brothers in order to satisfy the terms of the agreement made by the parties within the Michigan Tax Tribunal. Motion carried by all members present. Item 2. DECLARATION OF TAKING AND STATEMENT OF NECESSITY FOR DENTON ROAD WATER MAIN. (MSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the resolution declaring a public necessity for the proposed easement for installation of a water main across the property located at 4655 Denton Road (Sidwell No. 126-99-0012-000). Motion carried by all members present. Item 3. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE TOWNSHIP'S 2012-2017 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM. (MSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to adopt the Township's Capital Improvement Program for 2012 through 2017 as presented. Motion carried by all members present. Item 4. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF DISPATCH CENTER FURNITURE. (PSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve the purchase of dispatch center furniture and flooring as proposed by JEM Tech Group, 95 S. Rose, Ste B., Mt. Clemens, MI, in the amount of \$50,222 (E-911 Capital Outlay Office Equipment & Furniture #261-346-50-970.0060), utilizing funds budgeted in the E-911 Capital Outlay Office Equipment & Furniture. Motion carried by all members present. Item 5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF WESTERNWAYNE COUNTY MUTUAL AUTO ASSOCIATION DUES. (PSD). Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve payment of the 2012 Western Wayne County Mutual Auto Association dues in the amount of \$10,400.26 from Fire Account # 206-336-50-960. Motion carried by all members present. Item 6. REQUEST TO APPROVE PURCHASE ORDER TO ELECTION SYSTEMS AND SOFTWARE FOR CODING FOR THE AUGUST 7, 2012 PRIMARY ELECTION. (CLERK). Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to approve the request for a purchase order to Election Systems and Software, 6055 Poyssphere Circle, Chicago, IL 60674 for \$6,557.80 from account Contracted Services - #101-191.801. 0050 for coding for the August 7, 2012 Primary Election. Motion carried by all members present. Item 7. CONSIDER BUDGETAMENDMENT FOR EECBGRANT PROJECT LED LIGHTING. (CLS). Motion by Bennett, supported by McLaughlin to approve a purchase order for \$78,403 to Rauhorm Electric, Inc., 17171 23 Mile Rd., Macomb, MI 48042. I further move to approve the following budget amendment: Increase Revenue: Federal Grants #275-448.501 \$78,403 Increase Expense: Capital Outlay Infrastructure #275-448.970. 0050 \$78,403. Motion carried by all members present. Item 8. AWARD THE BID FOR THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING FRONT DOOR REPLACEMENT. (CLS). Motion by Bennett, supported by Williams to award bid in the amount of \$16,500 to Calvin & Company, Inc., 5076 Pilgrim Rd., Flint, MI 48507 for Sliding Front Door replacement on the Administration Building with funds from account #101-265-56.930.0030 Maintenance/Repair of Machinery & Equipment. Motion carried by all members present. OTHER: Treasurer McLaughlin stated she would like to commend Terry Bennett and her staff on the August 7, 2012 Primary Election. She stated that the election was a success and that the election gets held every day. She barely gets to take a deep breath and now have to do it all over for the September 5, 2012 Special Election. The next Board Study meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, First Floor, Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. ADJOURN: Motion by McLaughlin, supported by Williams to adjourn at 7:57 p.m. Motion carried by all members present. - Philip LaJoy, Supervisor - Terry G. Bennett, Clerk -

Copies of the complete text of the Board Minutes are available at the Clerk's office of the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Rd, Canton, MI 48188, during regular business hours and can also be accessed through our web site www.canton-mi.org after Board Approval. Publish: August 23, 2012 EC082312-0607 5 x 15.784

CANTON - PLYMOUTH

Walgreen's tax break OK'd by Canton board



Practice makes perfect

The Plymouth Rotarians are getting ready for the annual Chicken Barbeque when they will serve about 11,000 chicken dinners beginning at 11 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 9. The event has been a tradition in Plymouth for more than half a century and the chicken recipe remains a secret of the club. Volunteers, like Michael Dudley and Mike Sullivan, below, spend a Saturday morning at the DPS yard scrubbing and sterilizing the grills. Last week, the Barbeque Committee, above, organized the annual "dry run" to help train any newcomers in the preparation of the dinners and manning of the huge pits erected in the parking lot behind The Gathering in downtown Plymouth. This year the dinners, which include half a barbequed chicken, an ear of corn, a dinner roll, chips, dessert and a drink are still priced at only \$10, all of which goes to help charities supported by the Rotary Club.

Photos by David Willett

Another Walgreen's is coming to Canton Township, but residents won't have to worry about the drugstore taking up another prime corner.

The national chain is consolidating three Ann Arbor locations into one facility in an industrial park off Haggerty Road, and it will not be a retail center.

The board of trustees approved a six-year tax abatement for the specialty pharmacy that will bring about 250 jobs to the township- 15 of them new- as well as 50 additional jobs over the next several years. Walgreens will invest about \$2.1 million in a vacant, 64,000 square foot structure on Haggerty Circle.

"This location will also accommodate future growth," said Judie Kral, manager of

the Ann Arbor locations.

The specialty pharmacy will handle mail order prescriptions, she said, and be staffed by call-center agents, patient-care coordinators and pharmacy technicians. Exterior signage would be minimal.

"It will be about 60-70 percent office space," she said. "The remaining space will be a pharmaceutical warehouse. We're not a retail location."

The pharmacy will operate from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. most days and 8-5 on Saturdays.

The board unanimously approved the tax abatement, which is for 50 percent of the value of the new personal property installed.

"We look forward to having it in the community," said Supervisor Phil LaJoy.

Village Faire is Sunday

The annual Village Faire is scheduled to take place from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26, at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road in Canton Township.

The history and heritage of the township will be on display in living history demonstrations provided by the Sisters of Union, who will be onsite cooking and sewing in period garb. Village Faire participants can also enjoy music, face painting, a petting farm,

guided tours of the Bartlett-Travis House and more.

The corn roast, sponsored by the Canton Lions Club, will also be taking place during the faire. All-you-can-eat wristbands will again be on sale during the event, and no pre-registration is necessary. There will be fresh Michigan-grown produce and local hand-made crafts for sale at the Canton Farmers Market on-site at Preservation Park.

Canton Senior Golf Scramble Set

The Canton Senior Center is hosting the Annual Senior Golf Scramble on Tuesday, Aug. 28, at the Pheasant Run Golf Club located at 46500 Summit Parkway in Canton.

Area seniors, ages 55 and older, can hit the links for 18 holes of golf in this four person golf scramble that includes two meals for a

fee of \$38 for Canton residents and \$43 for non-residents.

Registration is currently under way at the Canton Senior Center, located in the Parkview Room of the Summit on the Park at 46000 Summit Parkway. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org or call (734) 394-5485.



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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ACCESS TO PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Charter Township of Canton will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting/hearing upon two weeks notice to the Charter Township of Canton. Individuals with disabilities requiring auxiliary aids or services should contact the Charter Township of Canton by writing or calling the following:

Gwyn Belcher, ADA Coordinator
Charter Township of Canton, 1150 S. Canton Center Road
Canton, MI 48188
(734) 394-5260

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PLANNING COMMISSION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, September 10, 2012 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed special land use request as provided in Section 27.03 of the Canton Township Zoning Ordinance:

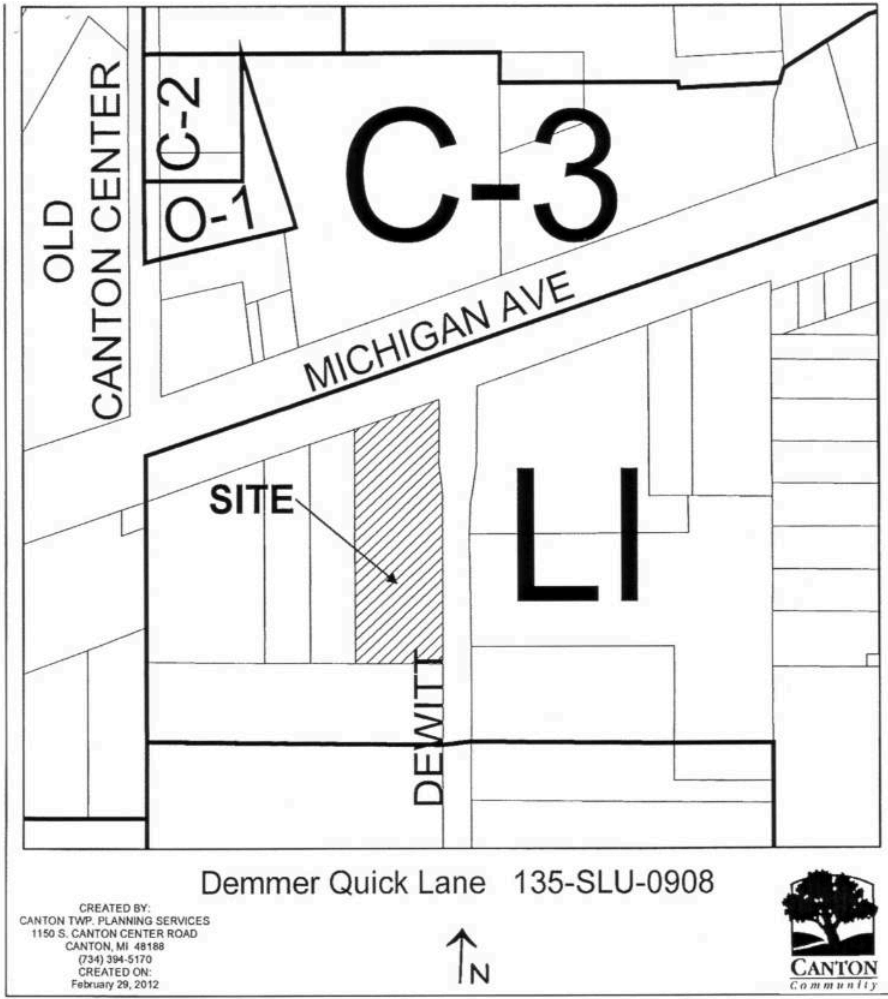
DEMME QUICK LANE SPECIAL LAND USE - CONSIDER REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL FOR AN AUTOMOBILE REPAIR FACILITY AS REQUIRED IN SECTION 6.02C FOR PARCEL NO. 135 01 0001 302 (45109 MICHIGAN AVENUE). Property is located at the southwest corner of Michigan Avenue and Dewitt Road.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, September 6, 2012 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Greg Greene, Chairman
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MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING AUGUST 6, 2012

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem LeRoy Burcroff.

Present: John Barden, LeRoy Burcroff, Linda Choate, William Crova, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth, Eva Webb.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:
Alan R. Lambert, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk
Stacy Paige, Treasurer

1. Moved by Barden, seconded by Crova to accept the agenda as presented.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously .
12-227 2A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Webb to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held July 23, 2012. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Abstain - Roscoe. Motion Carried .

12-228 3A. Moved by Crova, seconded by Roscoe to concur with Maria Lambert, for Romulus DDA Pumpkin Festival, and approve a no-fee permit for all activities for the Parade of Lights and DDA Pumpkin Festival for the week of Sept. 10 thru Sept. 16, 2012. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-229 3B. Moved by Webb, seconded by Barden to concur with Maria Lambert, for DDA Pumpkin Festival, and approve the following road closures for the weekend of Friday, Sept. 14, 2012 thru Sunday, Sept. 16, 2012: Goddard Rd. from Moore St. to the railroad tracks beginning at noon Friday, Sept. 14 to 9 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16; Goddard Rd. from Wayne Rd to Grant (five points) from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14; and Hunt St. between Bibbins and Goddard Roads beginning noon on Friday Sept. 14 to Sunday, Sept. 16 at 9 p.m. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously .
12-230 3C. Moved by Choate, seconded by Wadsworth to concur with Maria Lambert, for Romulus Arts Council, authorization to obtain a special temporary liquor license from MLCC for Friday, Sept. 14 thru Sunday, Sept. 16, 2012 for the Romulus DDA Pumpkin Festival - with proceeds to fund local scholarships. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-231 3D. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Webb to grant a no-fee permit to Romulus Wesleyan Church for their first annual yard/bake sale on Thursday, August 9th thru Saturday, August 11th and a no-fee permit for food distribution at the Mary Ann Banks Park on Saturday, August 25, 2012. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-232 4A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Webb to approve the Teamsters contract with letters of understanding - and, if approved - subject to dismissal of a petition from the TPOAM. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-233 4B. Moved by Barden, seconded by Crova to approve a no-fee permit to United Community Methodist Church for a rummage sale from Sept. 20 thru Sept. 22, 2012. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

4. Moved by Crova, seconded by Roscoe to accept the chairperson's report. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-234 5A. Moved by Crova, seconded by Choate to concur with the recommendation of Debra Hoffman, Finance Director, to introduce Budget Amendment 12/13-1 to allow the DDA to purchase 36542 Goddard Rd. through the Wayne County tax sale process.

FUND/DEPT. ACCOUNT NO. ACCOUNT NAME CURRENT BUDGET AMENDED BUDGET
Expense 295-7410-774.74-14 DDA Acquisition Costs 0 12,000 12,000
Fund Balance 295-0000-390.00-00 DDA Fund Balance 92,448 (12,000) 80,448

To allow the DDA to purchase 36542 Goddard Road through the Wayne County tax sale process.
Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None.

Motion Carried Unanimously .
12-235 5B. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to adopt a resolution to authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into an agreement with 4L Ventures, LLC, for purchase of property for public use and establishment of conservation easement for the 90 acre parcel #80-115-99-0004-700 located north of Eureka Road and east of South Huron River Drive for the purchase price of \$1.00. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-236 5C. Moved by Barden, seconded by Choate to extend the existing private ambulance services contract with Community E.M.S./HealthLink Medical Transportation, Inc. for an additional 30 day period (August 9, 2012 - September 8, 2012.) Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-237 6A1. Moved by Crova, seconded by Barden to approve second reading and final adoption of Budget Amendment 11/12-14, Sanitation Fund, introduced at the Council meeting of July 23, 2012. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-238 6A2. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to introduce amended City Ordinance, Chapter 4, Animals. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-239 9. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crova to grant a no-fee permit to play Bingo at the Pumpkin Festival with proceeds to go to the Romulus Animal Shelter. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

12-240 10. Moved by Webb, seconded by Barden to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Elvira Cline. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

11. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. Roll Call Vote: Ayes - Barden, Burcroff, Choate, Crova, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Webb. Nays - None. Motion Carried Unanimously .

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on August 6, 2012.

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NORTHVILLE

School district to seek voter OK of bond

Northville voters will be asked to approve a \$20.87 million bond proposal for the school district Nov. 6, which will not increase the current schoolmillage rate.

The funds would be used, school officials said, to replace aging district technology and provide proven, interactive classroom technology to meet the needs of students at all levels and abilities.

Members of theNorthville Board of Education unanimously approved a resolution to put the issue on the November ballot at their July 9 meeting. While nearly 90 percent of the bond funds are earmarked to address technology improvements, the proposal also includes funds for the purchase of replacement buses for the aging fleet, officials said.

“The guiding principles throughout the district’s technology planning - and in our decision to bring this bond request before voters - are what will best support student achievement and prepare students for a lifetime of learning,” said Northville Superintendent of Schools Mary Kay Gallagher. “As instructional delivery systems are updated and refined, true student-

focused, immersive learning can take place when the most appropriate technologies are available in the classroom.

“Technology is a powerful part of our everyday lives, whether at school, work or home. Numerous educational studies show - and colleges and employers tell us - that technology use as a resource and a required skill-set must be developed in today’s young people to enable their success in college and in their careers.”

The decision to place the bond proposal on the ballot followed an extensive Technology Needs Assessment completed this spring by a team of district administrators and teachers from all levels, as well as representatives from the technology consulting firm, Wright & Hunter, Gallagher added. The team reviewed the district’s current infrastructure and technology and looked ahead to instructional needs nowand in the future.

Bond funds will protect the district general fund, Gallagher said.

“During these challenging economic times, severe cuts in state funding for public schools have forced us to delay much-needed

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technology improvements and bus replacements,” said Northville Board of Education President Dottie Garrity. “Asking the community for bond funds is one of the few options currently available to school districts - along with sinking funds - to raise the dollars necessary to address these critical needs, while also ensuring that the school district’s limited operating funds are available to support student learning.”

Voters in Northville approved a 1-mill, five-year Sinking Fund millage that included technology network infrastructure upgrades - being completed over the summer - along with numerous building repairs and improvements in May. These technology upgrades will increase the district’s capacity so the network infrastructure can accommodate the increased volume of digital applications and devices,

as well as provide building-wide wireless access in every school building. While the network infrastructure upgrades made possible through the Sinking Fund dollars provide an important foundation, Sinking Fund money, by law, cannot be used to purchase technology equipment and software required for the next phase in the district’s critical technology improvements, Gallagher said..

“If approved, the Technology Bond will keep Northville’s taxpayer dollars in Northville and protect our community’s investment in the outstanding educational programs that are the hallmark of Northville Public Schools,” Garrity said. “Strong schools are the foundation of a strong community where people want to live, businesses want to locate, and property values are higher.”

The Technology Bond funds

would support the district’s technology plan for at least the next 12 years by issuing bonds through two separate series. Series 1, comprising \$16.27 million, would be issued in 2013 to implement the technology improvements across the district, as well as purchase replacement buses. Series 2, comprising \$4.6 million, would be issued in 2017 to “refresh” the district’s initial technology investment from the bond and extend the viability of the district’s computing devices as technology continues to evolve at a increasingly fast pace.

The replacement school buses included in the bond proposal will allow the district to retire some of the aging vehicles in the 46-bus fleet. Thirteen of the current district buses are at least 15 years old with an average of 153,000 miles. For several of these buses, it is no longer cost-efficient to make the costly repairs that will likely be necessary in the near future to keep them operational, Gallagher said.

The district has posted more information about the Technology Bond Proposal at www.northville.k12.mi.us. Questions can be emailed to nps@northville.k12.mi.us

School reform bill OK’d in House

Representatives in the Michigan House voted to reform the Michigan public school employee retirement system, creating a savings of more than \$927 million statewide in the next two years, according to state Rep. KurtHeise, who supported themeasure.

Northville and Plymouth-Canton schools will save more than \$15million over the next two years alone under proposed reforms to the state’s public school employee retirement system, according to nonpartisan budget analysis, Heise said.

"These reforms take immediate steps to create essential savings for our local schools," said Heise, R-Plymouth. "Without

these reforms, money will continue to be siphoned away from the classrooms and further diminish school budgets. This was another tough decision by the legislature to preserve and protect the retirement system while putting more money back in the classroom."

Under the reforms passed today, Plymouth-Canton Public Schools would save \$10,538,878 in the next two years and Northville would save \$5,117,051 according to the report.

The 28 Michigan community colleges also would see nearly \$70 million in savings over the next two years under this plan.

Teen faces sex abuse charge

An 18-year-old Northville man has been charged with the sexual abuse of an 11-year-oldneighbor.

Northville police issued a warrant for Joseph Miklos' following the victim's account of the incident to his father and a second interview conducted with him at CareHouse inPontiac.

Miklos turned himself in to police following an issuance of an arrest warrant. He was arraigned Aug. 8 in 35th District

Court.

Police reports said the 11-year-old's father became concerned by his son's sleep disturbances and general demeanor. When questioned, the boy said that Miklos had invited him to his house to play video games on July 25. While the pair were in the basement, the boy said that Miklos forcefully engaged in the unwanted sexual contact after he refused his request to performa sexual act.

ROMULUS HOUSING COMMISSION PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION FOR BID

The Romulus Housing Commission (RHC) will receive sealed bids in its offices at 34200 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan, until the hour of 1:00 PM local time on September 12, 2012. Work will be performed per plans and specifications. Bids are desired for Comprehensive Maintenance / Repair Services for 100 public housing dwelling units and RHC's two (2) office locations, located in the City of Romulus, Michigan. Contracted services will include unit maintenance/repair and vacant unit make-ready preparation. Plans and specifications may be obtained from the RHC office, 34200 Beverly Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174. For more information you may contact the RHC Director at (734) 729-5389 during normal business hours Monday through Friday between the hours of 9 AM and 5 PM.

A pre-construction conference and walk-through will be held at 6094 Second Street, Romulus, Michigan on August 22, 2012 at 11:00 AM.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON ELECTION NOTICE

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS of the Charter Township of Canton, notice is hereby given that a Special Primary Election will be held in the Charter Township of Canton on Wednesday, September 5, 2012 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of nominating candidates to fill the vacancy in the following office:

11th District Representative in Congress

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PRECINCT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

Listed below are the polling locations for the Wednesday, September 5, 2012 Special Primary Election, which will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of voting:

Precinct No.	Name of Facility	Address
1 & 23	Discovery Middle School	45083 Hanford Rd
2	Connection Church	3855 S. Sheldon Rd
3, 10, 21	St. John Neumann Church	44800 Warren Rd
4 & 13	Miller Elementary School	43721 Hanford Rd
5 & 31	Crescent Academy	40440 Palmer Rd
6 & 32	Canton Township Administration Building	1150 S. Canton Center Rd
7 & 8	Salem High School	46181 Joy Rd
9 & 34	Eriksson Elementary School	1275 N. Haggerty Rd
11 & 19	Tonda Elementary School	46501 Warren Rd
12 & 14	Hulsing Elementary School	8055 Fleet St
15	Walker-Winter Elementary School	39932 Michigan Ave
16 & 17	Bentley Elementary School	1100 S. Sheldon Rd
18 & 29	Field Elementary School	1000 S. Haggerty Rd
20	Township Fire Station No. 1	1100 S. Canton Center Rd
22	Hoben Elementary School	44680 Saltz Rd
24 & 25	Canton High School	8415 N. Canton Center Rd
26, 27, 36 & 40	Summit on the Park	46000 Summit Parkway
28	Canton Township DPW/Yard	4847 S. Sheldon Rd
30	Mettetal Airport	8550 N. Lilley Rd
33 & 37	Dodson Elementary School	205 N. Beck Rd
35	Canton Human Services Center	50430 School House Rd
38	Historic Cherry Hill School	50440 Cherry Hill Rd
39	Plymouth High School	8400 N. Beck Rd
41 & 42	Workman Elementary School	250 N. Denton Rd

The Office of the Township Clerk, 1150 S. Canton Center Road, will be open from 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 1, 2012 for obtaining and casting absentee ballots. Qualified voters must appear in person to receive a ballot.

The Clerk's Office will be closed on Monday, September 3, 2012 for the Labor Day holiday. On Tuesday, September 4, 2012, those requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person at the Clerk's Office between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Emergency absentee ballots ONLY will be issued on Election Day, Wednesday, September 5, 2012.

To obtain election instructions in an alternative format (audio or Braille), contact the Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120 prior to Election Day.

If you are unsure of your voting location, please refer to your voter registration card, check the Clerk's voting page on Canton's Website at www.canton-mi.org/clerk/voting.aspx, or call the Clerk's office at 734-394-5120.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

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WAYNE - WESTLAND

Annapolis receives national accreditation

The Diagnostic Imaging Services Department at Oakwood Annapolis Hospital in Wayne has achieved a new standard in excellence.

The department recently earned full accreditation from the American College of Radiology in Ultrasound, MRI, CT, Nuclear Medicine and Positron Emission Tomography as a result of a recent survey, according to Dawn Baker, manager of Imaging Services at Annapolis.

“This is a direct reflection of the imaging team and their commitment to quality and excellence,” said Baker. “It’s because of our technologists, along with Drs. Venkat Rudraraju M.D., chief of radiology, Erica Luster M.D., vice-chief of radiology and Ashok Jain M.D., chief of staff, all working together that we were able to accomplish this.”

“We are very proud of this tremendous accomplishment,” added Rudraraju. “It

shows that our staff is recognized by industry experts as being experts in their craft. We have a deep foundation of skilled physicians and experts using the safest, most up-to-date equipment. It is a testament to the high quality carewe offer eachand every day.”

The American College of Radiology is a national organization serving more than 32,000 diagnostic-interventional radiologists, radiation oncologists, nuclear medicine and medical physicits. The group accredits facilities in breast ultrasound, computed tomography (CT), magnetic resonance imaging (MRI), mammography, nuclear medicine, PET, stereotactic breast biopsy, ultrasound and radiation oncology. Accreditation is based on an evaluation of the department by board-certified radiologists and medical physicits who are experts in the field. They also evaluate personnel qualifications, adequacy of facility equipment, quality control procedures andquality assurance programs.

“This recognition is the result of hard work and dedication to providing the highest level of service to the greater Wayne community,” said Eric Widner, division president of

Oakwood Healthcare. “It shows that we continue to be committed to operating a high-quality medical facility that offers the best possible care to the community.”

Hazardous Waste Day Saturday

TheWayne County Department of Public Service has scheduled a Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, Aug. 25 in the parking lot of the Westland Shopping Center located at Warren Road and Nankin Boulevard. This free event is open to Wayne County residents only and is an opportunity to properly dispose of waste that is considered toxic, flammable or corrosive.

Examples of acceptable waste being collected include; household paints, stains, dyes, floor wax, floor care products, carpet cleaner, furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, stain removers, pharmaceutical waste (non-controlled substances only), solvents, nail polish, glue, fertilizer, lawn and garden chemicals, pesticides, antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline, automotive batteries and dry cell batteries, fluorescent bulbs, fire extinguishers, mercury fever thermometers, smoke detectors, computer monitors, printers, scanners, mice, keyboards, cell phones, fax machines, copiers, and televisions.

Only household generated products from Wayne County residents will be accepted.

Items that will not be accepted include; commercial waste, industrial waste, radioactive materials, explosives, ammunition, shock sensitive materials, household trash, 55-gallon drums, refrigerators, microwaves or other appliances, tires, yard waste and concrete.

For information about how to dispose of these items, contact the Wayne County resource recovery coordinator at (734) 326-3936.

For more information on the collection or to obtain a complete list of what will and will not be accepted, call the same number or visit www.waynecounty.com.

Canton Township will also sponsor the annual Hazardous Household Waste Day from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Sept. 8 at Canton's Division of Public Works Building, located at 4847 SheldonRoad.

This event is open to Canton residents only and identification will be required. To obtain a complete list of what will and will not be accepted at the Canton collection visit www.canton-mi.org or call (734) 397-1011.

Cool ride

North Brothers Ford has agreed to sponsor the refurbishing of the Mike Modano Ice Arena's Zamboni. Every year the body shop refurbishes the Zamboni and the 2013 Ford Fusion and 2013 Ford Escape will be featured for the 2012-2013 hockey season. North Brothers Ford also sponsors a locker room at the Mike Modano Ice Arena and the baseball field at Jaycee Park as part of their city advertising. The hardball diamond at Jaycee Park will be worked on this year to further promote youth baseball in Westland. “North Brothers Ford has been a tremendous supporter of our community for many years,” said Mayor William R. Wild. “The commitment and dedication they have shown to the city and the residents is greatly appreciated.”

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BELLEVILLE

Annual Public Safety Day proves success

Fire trucks, police vehicles, an armored SWAT vehicle and dive team equipment responded Aug. 11 to the Walgreen's location in Van Buren Township but the visit wasn't an emergency response.

The vehicles, along with the police motorcycle and other equipment, was on display as part of the annual Public Safety Day, which was organized this year in cooperation with the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and director Susan Ireland.

The DDA partnered with the Public Safety Department and Walgreen's this year providing financial support along with hand-

outs for youngsters and entertainment including face painting and an appearance from Dee Dee the Clown, noted Van Buren Police Capt. Greg Laurain.

"Walgreen's has always generously provided us with the use of their location and with food and refreshments," Laurain said.

The Van Buren Police and Fire Department associations were actively involved in the event and contributed funding for the hot dogs, chips, cotton candy and popcorn distributed to everyone who attended.

"This was our day to shine as public safety servants and to inter-

act with the residents we serve. This also gave them a chance to see our human side. All of us have families and some of us live here, too, and we all have a sense of pride in serving the community," Laurain said.

More than 300 people attended Public Safety Day which began at 10 a.m. and continued until 2 p.m.

"On behalf of your Public Safety Department, thank you for your continued support and for taking the time out of your busy schedule to stop by. For those of you that couldn't, be sure to put it on your calendar and we will hopefully see you next year," Laurain said.

McGruff, the crime dog, brought smiles.

Interim Fire Chief Dan Besson (left) talked to young visitors while probationary Firefighter Justin Mathis (center) demonstrated the use of a fire hose. Dee Dee the clown entertained.

Local volunteers help clean up I-275 Metro Trail

The I-275 Metro Trail has a lot of friends.

That was evident last month when staff members from Canton Township Leisure Services, the Friends of the I-275 Metro Trail and the Michigan Department of Transportation joined forces with 120 General Electric (GE) employees from the Advanced Manufacturing and Software

Technology Center in Van Buren Township, for a special volunteer trail clean-up project.

The Metro Trail clean-up project was one of the five GE Community Day projects which saw a total of 320 GE volunteers helping organizations across the metro-Detroit region.

GE volunteers, from the state-of-the-art research and technology facility in Van Buren, cleaned up

hundreds of bags of litter and debris, removed non-native plants, and provided general habitat management along a stretch of the I-275 Metro Trail from Joy Road to Van Born Road in Canton. This marks the third year that GE volunteers have contributed community service to a trail clean-up project.

Additional support for this project was provided by Canton Home

Depot, located on Ford Road, which donated several tools, including four loppers for tree trimming.

"These dedicated individuals enjoyed the outdoors and giving back to the community," said Brad Sharp, Parks Manager. "Time after time our volunteers tell us how much fun they experience while meeting new people, working on a project together as teammates, and

accomplishing the task of improving our wonderful trail system."

He added that Canton offers several volunteer opportunities. They are listed in the volunteer section located at www.cantonfun.org. Volunteers are required to fill out a Volunteer Application form.

For more information, contact the Canton Parks Division at (734) 394-5310.

ROMULUS - INKSTER

Club license transfer is withdrawn by owner

The transfer of a liquor license and dance permit at the Landing Strip Lounge in Romulus will not happen after all-but that doesn't mean the establishment is closing.

Jason Saad, the manager of the club, had requested the new permit be issued and liquor license transferred to Yestofflo, LLC, of which he is the sole member. The issue came to the Romulus City Council twice in July, but Saad eventually withdrew it.

"I think they saw the writing on the wall," said Romulus Police Chief Bob Dickerson.

Saad had an agreement with the current owner, Nappo Holdings, to purchase the business under a land contract and have the liquor license, dance and topless entertainment permit transferred to him by August of 2012.

Dickerson said the police department was notified in June that he was ready to move forward. While doing a background investigation required for such a transfer, Dickerson said Saad has already taken control of the facility.

"He already had, on paper, been running the establishment through a family member," Dickerson said.

That meant that the alleged illegal activity that had taken place there, as well as the current liquor license violations took place under his ownership.

"Once we found that out, I couldn't, in good

conscience, recommend the transfer of the license and permits, based upon what had been going on there for the past three years," Dickerson said.

Dickerson said he conveyed that information to the petitioner and his attorney and they decided to withdraw the petition. The license now reverts back to Nappo Holdings, according to Dickerson.

"It's up to them to run the establishment under the guideline of the Romulus ordinances, the State of Michigan laws, and the liquor license commission laws or they can find someone to sell the license or the business to, but that would mean a background check."

Dickerson the department hadn't been trying to shut down the club.

"That was never our task; our task was to investigate the transfer of the license to the petitioner," Dickerson said.

"We allowed him the opportunity to come before us," Councilman Leroy Burckoff said. "Basically, they withdrew from the process. They would have to start over."

The issue had come to the city council twice before, but each time it had been postponed because the petitioner did not attend the meeting. During those proceedings, members of the community voiced opposition to its continued operation of the club.



School 'supplied'

The annual distribution of about 1,000 backpacks to children throughout Wayne County is already under way. About 75 youngsters from Inkster received free backpacks last Thursday at Baylor Woodson School on Carlyle in Inkster distributed by Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano, who originated the program in 2003. Backpacks are filled with various school supplies, including notebooks, folders, pencils and crayons. The backpack giveaway is sponsored by Walmart in Taylor, Blue Cross Blue Shield and Johnston Lithograph from Romulus.

Sorority plans Annual Black Collegiate Fair

The Annual Black Collegiate Fair will take place from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 15 at the Booker T. Dozier Recreational Complex in Inkster.

The event is sponsored each year by members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Zeta Nu Zeta Inkster Alumnae Chapter, a group of local women committed to assisting Inkster in making educational decisions that will enhance their ability to become productive citizens.

This year representatives from various colleges such as Fisk University, Kentucky

State University, Central State University, and many more will be on site with information. There will also be workshops and financial information at the event, designed to aid students in making college decisions and help provide financial information. The Dozier complex is located at 2025 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

The event is open to the public although pre-registration is requested. To register or for more information, contact Madie Jackson Searcy at (313) 980-8808 or Dana Brown at (313) 465-6164.

4 contests at Pumpkin Fest

Residents can enter four contests during the Romulus Downtown Development Authority Pumpkin Festival that involve food or growing plants this year.

- A canning contest of homemade foods, including tomatoes, green beans, pickles and fruit. Items must be submitted by 1 p.m. Friday, Sept. 14, to the Romulus Senior Center, 36525 Bibbins. A sign-up sheet will be provided. Each entry will receive a number.

- A pie-baking contest limited to pumpkin, sweet potato, peach and apple pies. Entries must be submitted to the Senior Center with a

cellophane-type cover before 1 p.m. Sept. 14.

- A pumpkin-growing contest. Entries must be submitted to the Senior Center by 2 p.m. Sept. 14. The largest pumpkin will be declared the winner.

- A sunflower-growing contest. All entries of single-blossom sunflowers must be turned in at the Senior Center before 1 p.m. Sept. 14. Categories include the "largest face" and the "tallest."

Winners will be announced on 12:30 p.m. Sept. 15 at the hospitality tent. Winners will receive ribbons.

Cute Baby photos sought

The second annual Romulus Cutest Baby Contest is accepting entries through 4 p.m. Aug. 31.

The event is presented during the Romulus Downtown Development Authority Pumpkin Festival on Sept. 14-16.

Baby photos will be on display in the hospitality tent. Visitors can vote for the baby of their choice. Votes are 25 cents each.

The top two vote-getters will be declared the winners at 4 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 16.

For more information, call (734) 955-4577.

PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 110 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, September 10, 2012 in the First Floor Meeting Room of the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

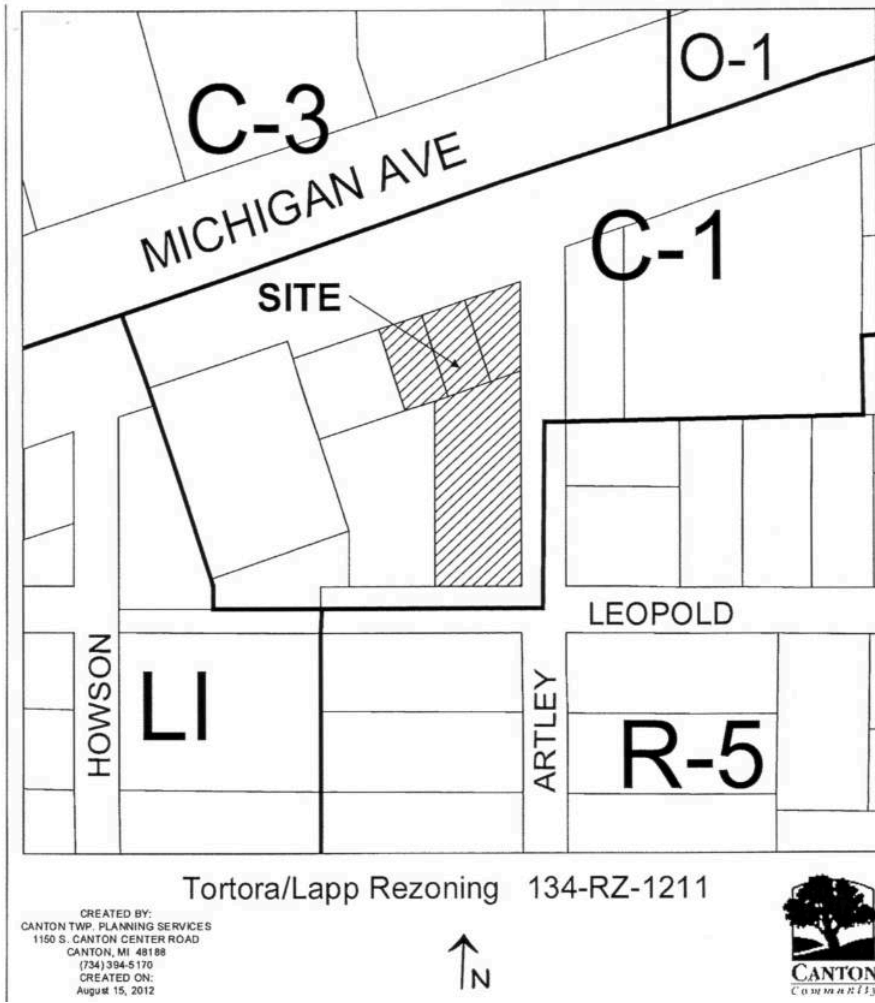
TORTORA-LAPP REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE PARCEL NOS. 134-01-0023-300, 134-01-0025-301, 134-01-0026-301 AND 134-01-0027-301 (44625 MICHIGAN AVE.) FROM C-1, VILLAGE SHOPPING TO C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL. Property is located south of Michigan Avenue and west of Sheldon Road,

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, September 6, 2012 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

SEE ATTACHED MAP

Greg Greene, Chairman
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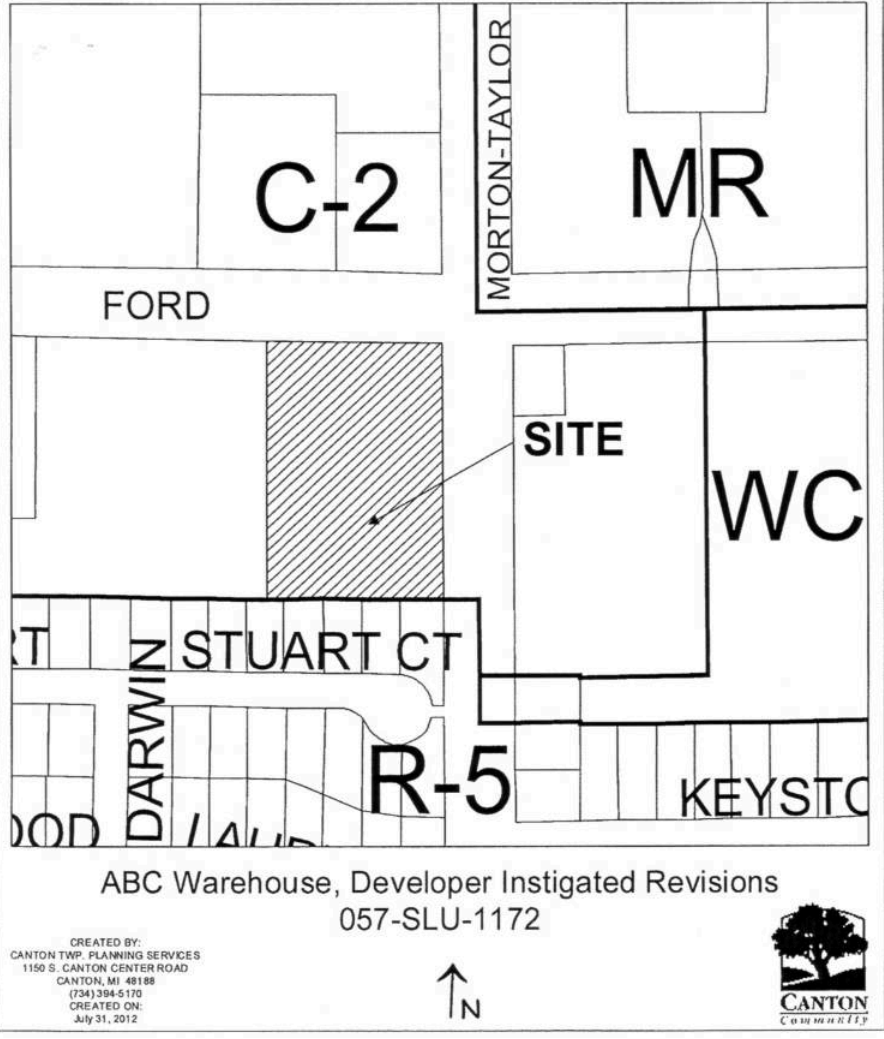
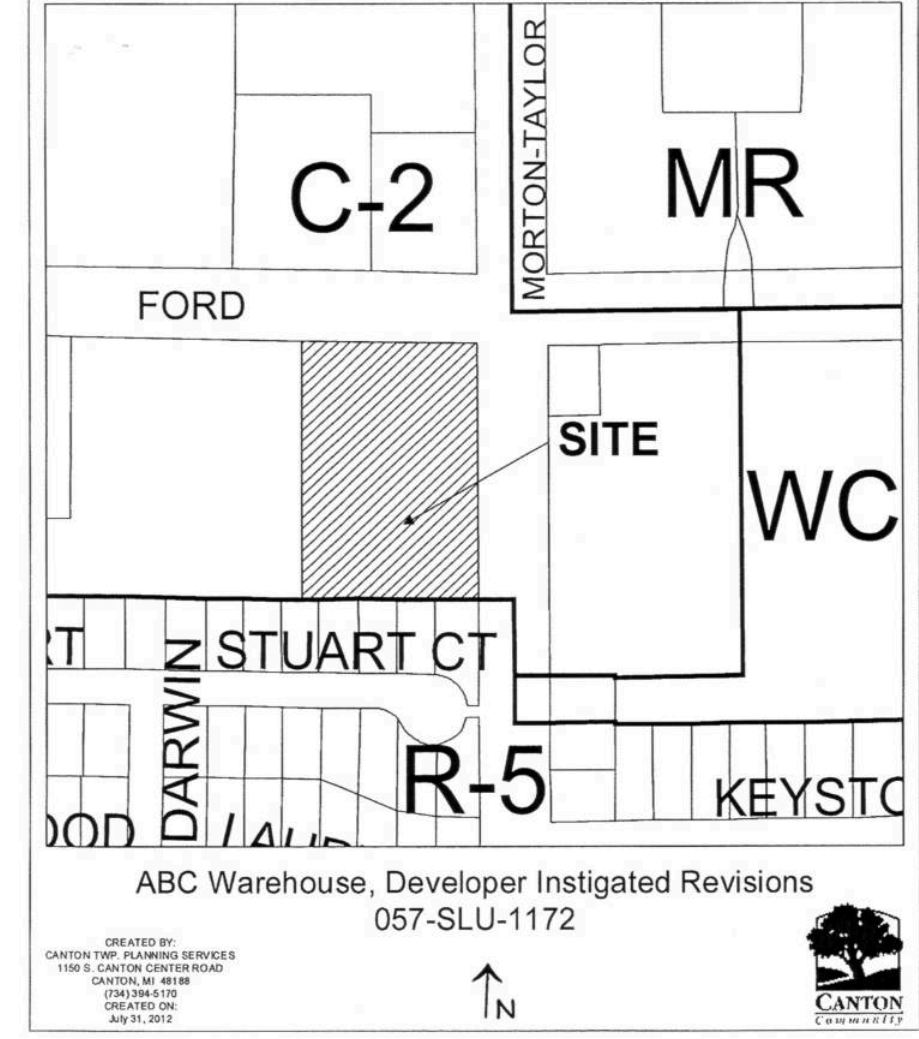
Charter Township of Canton
Notice of Public Accuracy Test

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clerk's Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used for the Special Primary Election to be held on Wednesday, September 5, 2012. The test will take place on Wednesday, August 29, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Clerk's Office, in the Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. This test is open to all interested parties. For further information, contact the Clerk's Office at 734-394-5120.

Terry G. Bennett, Clerk

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Fire consolidation is blueprint for success

This week, the cities of Wayne and Westland officially dedicated the new headquarters of their combined fire services department.

Wayne and Westland will now be serviced by one department, managed by one chief, a move that will save Wayne about \$140,000 a year and Westland about \$180,000 a year when all costs are factored into the equation.

We cannot help but applaud this combination of services, particularly in these economic times. While many other communities don't seem able to give up the autonomy of a locally managed fire department, the wisdom of this move provides the residents with far more service for their tax dollars than was previously available.

First the two communities joined their recreation departments, which was also an astute financial move, and now the fire services. We wonder, perhaps, if this is a not a portent of the future for the two communities which may soon see some type of amalgamation into one municipality, which has been the object of plenty of speculation.

We honestly had to smile some time ago when the merging of the two police departments was suggested and one of the reasons given for not having that happen was the distance residents might have to travel to the police station. Obviously, the police stations in both communities could remain open

We congratulate both the communities for this forward thinking move which put the best interest of residents and taxpayers first.

and very little would change in police operations, other than some deep cuts in administration costs and perhaps some increased availability of service for residents. We recall one critic of that merger declaring it was impossible because the police station was a 24-hour operation. We didn't find any value in that argument then and we still don't, today. The fire department is also a 24-hour operation and this consolidation seems to be going very well.

This merge of the fire services demonstrates that the administration in both communities, particularly Westland Mayor William Wild, Wayne Mayor Al Haidous and Wayne City Manager Robert English, understand the realities of the economy of today and see what the future could bring to their respective communities as they continue to merge services.

We applaud their efforts and those of the respective city councils in each municipality who apparently see that public

service often requires making the best decisions for the community rather than the most advantageous personal choice.

We do regret the loss of Mel Moore, the former fire chief in Wayne, who was one of the casualties of the merger. He dedicated decades of service to the department and his loss was in no way due to any lack of ability or service. Like so many others today, he was a victim of economic uncertainty and change.

As these communities continue to move forward, there may be other individuals who face the same fate, which is regrettable. Good people who have worked many years and demonstrated their loyalty and capability may be faced with some difficult consequences. We don't believe anyone in these communities takes that impact lightly and we are certain they are moving deliberately and carefully to cause as little disruption as possible as they move toward even more centralized operations.

We cannot help but wonder, however, if some of the elected officials in the two communities would handle such a situation with as much grace as others whose careers and livelihoods have been so drastically affected.

We congratulate both the communities for this forward thinking move which put the best interest of residents and taxpayers first.

Festivals require hard work

Talk about grace under pressure.

They are something like swans seen gliding along calmly across a lake or pond.

Nobody knows how fast they are paddling underneath the water, out of view.

That's the impression we have of so many community volunteers and civic groups about this time every year as they begin to ready for some of the biggest events of the season.

Sure, we know, many of them have run their particular event so often, they have reduced the organizational effort to a minimum, but they still get the job done.

Every year we are amazed at the military-like precision and organization that goes into the Saturday evening building of the fire pits, packaging station and distribution center of the Plymouth Rotary Club for the annual barbecue chicken dinner on Sunday.

These guys have this so organized, they can build a full production and distribution operation produce 11,000 chicken dinners, tear all the equipment down and be home with their feet up in 48 hours.

The Kiwanis members, too, who produce their famous pancakes the same weekend during the Plymouth Fall Festival, are an amazing crew. The details and planning that are necessary to bring each of these events to the festival each year would overwhelm just about anybody, but every year, these groups are efficient, organized and disciplined enough to ensure success.

Perhaps the secret is that they are all volunteers and only take on this responsibility once a year. But the logistics of organizing the Fall Festival Taste Fest every year simply boggle the mind. Contacting all the restaurants, finding out what equipment they might need, talking them into donating food and staff and all the other details that accompany setting the event up in the parking lot of Station 885 is no small task indeed.

The Victorian Festival in Northville, too, is another example of volunteers taking any and every situation as it comes and each year producing a parade and week-end trip back in time that delights crowds from across the area. Volunteers from the historical society there even host a weekend sale of Victorian costumes and clothing before the event so that everyone in the community can participate garbed as they might have been 100 years ago.

In Westland the city is sponsoring a Blues, Brews and Barbecue that attracted a huge crowd last year and will probably see even



Once again, advice from another planet or two

If you want to send me an anonymous letter, it's best not to put your return address on the envelope.

Just a friendly tip there for the person who sent me the note about some poor soul living as a prisoner tied up in his mother's basement. His existence was allegedly discovered by an organized group of kind neighbors who dropped in to fix the holes in the walls and doors, patch windows, paint, clean and deal with years of spoiled food good only for the rodents and insects in the cupboards and closets.

Normally, stuff like that gets one quick look and then lands in the circular file. If you won't put your name on it, there's no way I'm going to take it seriously. But something about this one nagged at me. I guess I was more impact-

In case you were wondering, those tin foil hats no longer work, according to folks who are in the know.

ed by the Jaycee Dugard story than I thought, because all I could think about was what if I ignored this and there really was some poor soul tied up and helpless in a rat and cockroach filled cellar somewhere in Canton.

It wasn't a good feeling. I copied and faxed the letter, and the envelope with the return address, to the Canton Police Department. I figured they are much better able to deal with this stuff than I am.

Then I got to thinking about the amount of this foolishness I throw

away. I may be missing a real financial opportunity here.

There is no way I could ever hope to be as creative as some of these people and many of the conspiracy theorists who think I need to hear about the latest nefarious plot by the aliens who have taken over our government to listen to our thoughts. I should be taking advantage of this stuff and write a novel. (In case you were wondering, those tin foil hats no longer work, according to folks who are in the know. What you need now is a very large aluminum or tin can

that you can slit open to fit over your leaking brain. Evidently the aliens have the scientific knowledge to now penetrate foil, so a thicker protective coating of hard metal is necessary to protect one's innermost thoughts. Just in case you might need that information some time...one never knows.)

I've written before about some of the inside scoop that comes my way---the CIA spy station in Inkster where prisoners too dangerous for Guantanamo are being held and probably tortured. I don't really know about the torture, I just sorta added that, as it was clearly implied. I didn't even send that one along to the Inkster cops

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Letters

Fundraiser details provided

To the editor; We would like to invite the community to come out and support Richard Willick and Shelly Brown Willick and their family of four children. Everything they own was destroyed in a devastating fire. They lived in the apartment above the David C. Brown Funeral Home which caught on fire on the evening of Sunday, Aug. 5. Thank God they all are OK. Their two cats did not escape the fire, sad to say, and they had no time to get anything out of the apartment.

Each year the Brown Funeral Home has been there to support the community in a number of ways including "Thunder Rolls in Belleville" for veterans and their

families, "Tree of Remembrance" for grieving families during the holidays and "Angel of Hope" for those mourning their beloved children. Shelly and Richard have been instrumental in all of these events and much more throughout the community.

Please take the time to come out to the Belleville Moose Family Center Lodge 934 on E. Huron River Drive for a fundraiser spaghetti dinner from 4 until 7 p.m. on Saturday Aug. 25. For \$12 you will get a delicious all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner and all the proceeds will go to the family. So let's get together and help them because they really need our help during this time of such loss.

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Letter

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Call Kathie Steigerwald at the Brown Family Center with any

Festivals

FROM PAGE 8

more folks this time when Josh Gracin takes to the stage to entertain. The Belleville Bridge Walk, which includes a taste-fest and art show, was delayed this year because of threatened storms. Even that didn't deter or phase the volunteers out there who simply went to Plan B. Right now, the Romulus Pumpkin Festival committee is seeking volunteers to help with almost every attraction planned for this year.

There are certainly community events we haven't mentioned like the 4th of July parades that take so much effort from so many people, the other community festivals during the summer weeks, Art in the Park, the Arts and Acts event in

questions at (313) 570-6115.

Thanks and hope to see you on the 25th.

Kathie Steigerwald
MaryMartinez
Belleville

Northville, the Canton Liberty Fest and so many more, all dependant on volunteers from the community to make the event a success.

All of these events share one common factor. They depend on volunteers from the community to donate their time, effort, energy and hard work to make them happen. None of these events is organized quickly or takes place without months of organization and effort, most of it by volunteers who are looking to make the community a better place for everyone.

While most of them may look, right now, like they are gliding through the incredible details and amount of organization and trouble shooting producing events like these requires, trust us, they are paddling like hell.

We'd just like to say thanks to all of them and tell them how much their efforts really are appreciated.

contentment.

My informant has no explanation for the need to do this for one day a year with a drug that usually lasts about 4-6 hours, but it's a very entertaining theory.

Wonder why he isn't after the Kiwanis Club about the pancakes, because every year after I stuff myself on those all I want to do is nap for the rest of the day.

What I'd like to tell this guy is that I, and about 11,000 other folks, really don't care what it is these guys are putting on that chicken. Whatever it is, it's delicious, and if it is a controlled substance, they aren't charging anywhere near enough for those dinners.

One more thing: I have it on good (albeit anonymous) authority that Bigfoot inhabits Edward Hines Park after escaping from a secret animal testing clinic in Plymouth.

My favorite part of that letter was the postscript, way down at the bottom after the listing of the various sightings of the creature(s) and a description of the laboratory from which it escaped.

In tiny cramped letters, it said, "P:S: I made all the dolls for our craft show last year."

See why I can hardly wait for themail every day?

Free ShredDay Saturday
Van Buren Township Recall Corporation and Van Buren Township will host a Free Shred Day from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. this Saturday, Aug. 25 at TownshipHall.

Residents may drop off papers to be shredded at the township front parking lot located at 46425 Tyler Road, Belleville. A maximum of five cartons or medium size bags of documents per vehicle will be accepted. No three- ring binders or metal of any kind can be accepted.

A list of acceptable documents is posted on the Van Buren website www.vanburen-mi.org and cable channel VBT12.

For more information contact the clerk's office at (734) 699-8909

Pottery classes offered

The Village Potters Guild is now accepting registrations for basic and continuing pottery classes. Students will learn how to create a clay piece and use a potter's wheel.

Classes are suitable for adults of all levels from the beginner making their first coil pot to more advanced students using a potter's wheel.

Classes are offered from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. or from 6:30-9:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. There is a class for advanced students from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Tuesdays. All classes include clay, glazes, firing and 8 hours a week of additional lab time.

Classes are \$350 for 15 weeks and begin Sept. 5.

The Village Potters Guild is located at 340 N. Main St. in Plymouth (behind the Crossings Restaurant). For more information call (734) 207-8807 or visit www.villagepottersguild.org

Seniors host bingo

The Wayne Golden Hour Club hosts bingo on the second and fourth Thursday of each month. The games are the primary source of fund-raising for the group. Proceeds are used to offset the cost of hosting holiday parties, which are open to all seniors.

Doors open at 12:40 p.m. and bingo continues from 1-4 p.m. Refreshments are available for purchase.

The upcoming dates are today, then Sept. 13 and 27, Oct. 11 and 25, Nov. 8 and Dec. 13.

For more information, call Nancy Wojewski-Noel, at (734) 721-7460 x1312

Calendar of events

Victorian applications available

The Northville Victorian Festival will return for the 24th year Sept. 21-23 throughout the downtown area.

Registration for non-profit groups and crafters who want to be part of the festival are now being accepted. The festival is sponsored by the Northville Chamber of Commerce and includes a parade, entertainment, food, history and a craft market.

Non-profit groups including school clubs, scouts, churches, service organizations and others can now apply for booths to sell food and merchandise as fundraisers or host games. Booth rental is \$100 for the entire weekend. Hours will be 5-8 p.m. Sept. 21, 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. Sept. 22 and noon until 4 p.m. Sept. 23.

Crafters can join the craft market on Saturday and Sunday. Craft booth rental is \$130 with an additional \$10 jury fee.

Applications are available at the chamber website, www.northville.org.

For more information, call (248) 349-7640.

Ripple Effect to meet

The Wayne Ripple Effect general meetings take place at 6:30 p.m. the third Thursday of every month at the Wayne Chamber of Commerce office.

For more information, call (734) 721-0100

Library sells used books

The Friends of the William P. Faust Library of Westland, 6123 Central City Parkway in Westland will host a used book sale from noon until 6 p.m. Sept. 6, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sept. 7 and from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Sept. 8.

Saturday is "bag day" when buyers can fill a bag with used books for \$4.

Prices range from \$2 for large coffee table books to 10 cents for magazines. There will also be videos, cassettes, DVDs, CDs and records for sale. All proceeds fund library programs.

For information, call (734) 326-6123

Mom2MomSale planned

The first Moraine Mom 2 Mom Sale will take place Saturday, Sept. 15, at the Northville school. There will be book tables and more than 120 sellers are expected with gently used infant, child, and maternity

clothing, toys, games, videos, books, and other mom-related goods.

Tables for gently-used items can be rented for \$20 and retail mom-related vendors can rent a table for \$40.

All proceeds benefit the Moraine PTA and help provide extra support for students and teachers.

To learn more and to register to sell, visit http://www.morainemom2mom.com or email info@moraine mom2mom.com for more information. Space is limited.

Drumming classes planned

The Plymouth Community Arts Council is sponsoring a Fall Drumming Xperience with instructor Pat Paul Serise for beginners ages 7-12 from 5-5:45 p.m. Sept. 5 through 26 at the Artscio House, next door to the arts council building on Sheldon Road.

The cost is \$64 for the four sessions for members and \$74 for non-members.

Serise will also teach a beginner class for ages 13 to adult from 6 until 6:45 p.m. on Wednesdays, Sept. 5 through Sept 26 at the same class fees.

No previous drumming experience is necessary for either class.

For more information, call (734) 416-4278.

Taste Fest returns to festival

The Plymouth Fall Festival Taste Fest will take place from 6-8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7 at Station 885 in Old Village Plymouth. Tickets cost \$15 for adults and \$5 for children under 10. They can be purchased at the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce, Station 885 or at the Civitan Booth during Music in the Air in Kellogg Park every Friday evening.

As usual, there will be a free shuttle from several points in downtown Plymouth to the restaurant.

Some of the participating restaurants this year include:

Aubree's of Northville, Canton Buffalo Wild Wings, Boule' Artisan Bakery, Elite Catering, Grand Traverse Pie Company, LaBistecca Italian Grille, Happy's Pizza & Ribs, Mitchell's Fish Market, Cupcake Station, Noodles & Company, Rusty Bucket, Scrambler Marie's, Station 885, U.P. Pasties, Honey Baked Ham, Old World Olive Press, Bahama Breeze and Rocky's of

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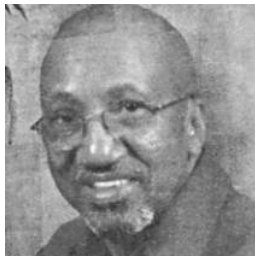


Lillian May Beardslee Walker

Lillian May Beardslee Walker, born April 17, 1924 in Owosso, died peacefully on July 30, 2012 at the age of 88 in Fishers, IN.

She was married to Harold C. Wells and together they had two daughters, Susan, who died in 1994, and Ann Wells, of Indianapolis, IN. In April of 1963, she married George Walker and together they combined their two families, her two daughters and his five children: Gary, Bob, Rick, Jenny and Maryann. Gary and his wife, Colleen, live in Marquette; Bob and wife, Mondy Aeschlimann, reside in Black Earth, WI; Rick and his wife, Lynn, also live in the northern peninsula in Chassell, MI; Jenny, partnered with Dan Ferrentino, live in Bluemont, VA, and Maryann and her husband, Lonnie Hafner, live in Saline. Mrs. Walker is also survived by her grandchildren: Geoff (Suma Rosen) Walker of Royal Oak, Mike (Teri Lynn) Walker of Marquette, Catarina Campbell of Burlington, VT, and Nickole Schultz of Los Angeles, CA. Mrs. Walker graduated from Michigan State University in 1946 and she began her career as an educator in a one-room school house in Dewitt, Michigan. She taught various elementary grades in the DeWitt Public Schools from 1944 to 1949; Lansing Community Schools from 1954 to 1955; South

Redford Schools from 1959 to 1965 and the Wayne-Westland Community Schools from 1965 until her retirement in 1984. In addition to working full-time and helping raise their seven children, Mrs. Walker returned to college and obtained her Masters Degree in Education in 1973 from Eastern Michigan University. Upon her retirement the couple moved to Rancho Bernardo, CA where they resided until 2001. Mrs. Walker volunteered endless hours to the local adult literacy program during her retirement. Following a stroke, the couple relocated to the Hearth at Windermere in Fishers, IN in 2001. Mr. Walker preceded his wife in death in 2005.



Nathaniel Duwayne Darkins
Dec. 8, 1942
Aug. 10, 2012

Nathaniel Duwayne Darkins died Aug. 10, 2012. Among those survivors left to cherish his memory are his wife, Surilla Darkins; his mother, Catherine Darkins; his mother-in-law, Margaret Gipson; three sisters, Debra Harris, Carol Darkins and Lesley Darkins; seven children, Jerlin (Reginald) Starr, Gary Darkins, Arron (Yvette) Darkins, Apryl (Tyrone) Darkins Irby, Surilla (Kevin) Lawrence; Gentry Darkins and Lavatra (Stefon) Gipson; 22 grandchildren; one great-granddaughter; a host of nieces, nephews and other family members, and

many friends. Funeral services were at Mt. Olive Baptist Church on Beverly Road in Romulus with Elder Kevin Lawrence officiating. Final arrangements were entrusted to the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster. Tri County Cremation Services accorded final rites.

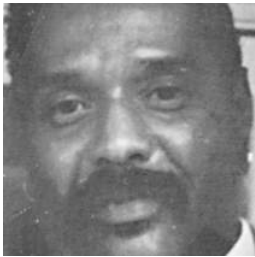


Dannie Lee Hobson
Sunrise: Jan. 6, 1953
Sunset: Aug. 8, 2012

Dannie Lee Hobson died Aug. 8, 2012. Among those left to cherish his memory are his wife, Judy; his children, Danyelle, Dannie Jr., Anthony, Jackie and Thomas; six grandchildren; three sisters, Eloise (Floyd) Thomas, Betty Jackson and Carole (Leon) Hale; three brothers, Ed (Gloria) Riley, Robert Hobson and Larry Hobson; a host of aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and other family members, and many friends.

Funeral services were at the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster with the Rev. Arthur Willis officiating. Final rites were accorded by Tri County Cremation Services.

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Calvin Phillip Moss
Sunrise: Jan. 6, 1950
Sunset: Aug. 8, 2012

Calvin "Man" Philip Moss died Aug. 8, 2012. Among those left to cherish his memory and celebrate his life are his wife, Michelle Moss; daughters, Lisa (Jayson), Jillian, Tonya, Danielle and Ariana; grandchildren, Jayla, Justin, Danaiah and Dacarie; his brothers, Lewis, Terry, Sean and DeAundrey; sisters, Joann, Tracey and Wanda; sisters-in-law, Stephany, Roslyn and Ronesa; his aunts, Connie, Yvonne and Alvera; uncles, Leon and Leonard; many nieces, nephews and cousins, and several friends.

Funeral services were at the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster with Pastor John C. Duckworth officiating. Final rites were accorded by Tri County Cremation Services.



Emma Bell Chadwick
Sunrise: Sept. 27, 1922
Sunset: Aug. 11, 2012

Emma Bell Chadwick died Aug. 11, 2012. Among those left to cherish

her memory are her daughters, Gina Kirpatrick; two granddaughters, Kenay Chadwick and Tierra McCain; two great-granddaughters, Tajane and Taiyanah Laster; her siblings, Margie McNeal, Rita (Robert) Allen, Cynthia McNeal, Rose Mary McNeal, Sharon McNeal, Curtis (Cathy) McNeal, Calvin Jerome (Doris) McNeal, Jane (Betty) McNeal and Ralph McNeal; a host of nieces and nephews, and many friends. Funeral services were at the Penn Funeral Home on Inkster Road in Inkster with the Rev. Robert L. Allen Jr. officiating.

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Calendar of events

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Northville.
More restaurants are expected to participate.

Victorian clothing sale set
The Northville Historical Society will sponsor the annual Victorian Festival Clothing Sale from 1-5 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 6, from 10 a.m. until 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 7 and from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 8 at Mill Race Historical Village, 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street in downtown Northville.

Victorian era clothing and accessories for adults and children will be available. Vendors have new, gently used and vintage clothing for sale.
Admission to the sale is \$2 for adults. Cash sales are preferred as some vendors do not accept checks or credit cards.
For more information, call (248) 348-1845 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Monday through Friday, or access www.millracenorthville.org.

Grief workshop planned
Ward Presbyterian Church is sponsoring an eight-week grief workshop, From Grief to New Hope, beginning Sept. 10. This free workshop is open to anyone who is grieving after the death of a loved one and will be presented by Cathy Clough, founder/executive director of New Hope Center for Grief Support.
Each session will begin with a presentation about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators.
Attendees will be placed in groups with others who have had similar losses. The workshop will meet from 7-8:45 p.m. eight consecutive Mondays at Ward Church located at Six Mile and Haggerty roads in Northville.
For registration information call New Hope at (248) 348-0115.
For information about From Grief to New Hope workshops offered in other cities throughout southeastern Michigan or other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief Support call New Hope or visit our website www.newhopecenter.net.

Vehicle show, block party set
The Wayneland Eagle Riders will host a Car and Bike Show and block Party from 2-10 p.m. Sept. 15 at the Eagles club, 35850 Earl St. in Wayne.
There is an entry fee for both cars and motorcycles of \$15 before Sept. 10 and \$20 the day of the event. Votes will be counted and trophies awarded at 7 p.m. Early registration is encouraged, a spokesman said.
The block party will include entertainment for all ages.
All proceeds will benefit the Rainbow Connection, a charity which fulfills the special wishes of Michigan children 2 ½ to 18

years of age with life-threatening medical conditions.
For more information, call (734) 858-8567 or (734) 560-1316.

Belleville alumni to meet
Belleville High School Class of 1992 20-year reunion will take place from 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 15 at Imagine Theater-Star Lanes in Royal Oak.
Tickets must be purchased before Sept. 1 and will not be available at the door. The cost is \$50 per person before June 1 and \$55 per person after that date.
For more information, access our Facebook event page "Belleville High School Class of 1992 Reunion" or email tolliver-amy@gmail.com.

Painting classes offered
Painting with acrylic classes will be offered at the Plymouth Community Arts Council from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. Thursdays from Sept. 13 through Oct. 18. The instructor will be Denise Cassidy.
The cost for the sessions is \$60 for members and \$75 for nonmembers.
The arts council is also sponsoring drop-in acrylic classes from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Tuesdays from Sept. 11 until Oct. 16. The cost is \$17 per session for members and \$20 per session for nonmembers.
For more information or to register, call (734) 416-4278.
The arts council is located at 774 Sheldon Road in Plymouth.

Chamber hosts luncheon speaker
Randy Perteet, business development specialist, U. S. Postal Service will be the guest speaker at the Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce Business Luncheon on Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the Clarion Hotel, 8600 Merriman, Romulus.
The cost of the luncheon is \$15 members/\$18 nonmembers. Registration starts at 11:30 a.m. and lunch is served at noon. Reservations can be made by calling the chamber at (734) 893-0694 or by email at info@romuluschamber.com. Seating is limited.

Annual Cemetery Walk planned
Costumed citizens of the past will share the stories of their lives and the times in which they lived from their gravestones in historic Oakwood Cemetery during the Annual Cemetery Walk hosted by the Northville Historical Society planned from 3-6 p.m. Sept. 16.
The theme of the walk this year, A Stroll Down Dunlap Street, will include all new characters with a focus on those who lived on Dunlap Street. Refreshments will be served in the Northville Art House following the walk.
Tickets for the event are \$10 for adults if purchased in advance or \$15 the day of the tour.
Tickets can be purchased at the Cady Inn at Mill Race Village, 215 Griswold, north of Main Street from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 1-4 p.m. on Sundays. For information, call (248) 348-1845

Josh Gracin to perform in Westland

Josh Gracin, the former American Idol contestant, will be returning home to headline the 2nd Annual Blues, Brews and Barbeque in Westland.
Gracin, born and raised in the city, will entertain at the event, planned for Sept. 15 and 16.
This event will be two days of barbeque, a car show full of hot rods from across southeast Michigan, handcrafted beers and music, including two hours of Gracin. This will be Gracin's first performance in Westland since his American Idol days.
Gracin, a John Glenn graduate, first gained public attention on season two of American Idol when he came in fourth place, all while serving in the Marine Corps. Gracin's first album released in 2004 received gold status and had a number one hit and two other top five singles. In 2008, his second album was released with more chart topping hits and his newest album Redemption was released at the end of 2011.
"Josh Gracin is a real country music star and he will add a nice twist to the great line-up of blues bands we have scheduled," said Westland Mayor William

Tickets can also be purchased at Knightsbridge Antiques, 42305 W. Seven Mile Road in Northville, (248) 344-7200.
To purchase tickets by mail, include a stamped, self-addressed envelope and payment addressed to Northville Historical Society, 215 Griswold St. Northville, MI, 48167.
Tickets all have reserved starting times beginning at 3 p.m. and every 10 minutes thereafter until 4:30. Please state the time requested when ordering tickets.

"Fun Raising" Golf Outing set
The Wayne Chamber of Commerce and the Wayne Department of Parks and Recreation are sponsoring a Fun Raising Golf Outing beginning with a shotgun start at 8 a.m. Sept. 20 at Fellow's Creek Golf Course in Canton.
The chamber is partnering with the Wayne Parks and Recreation Department, the Recreation Foundation and the

Josh Gracin
Wild. "Gracin's Westland fans have been eagerly awaiting his return."
The event will also include several of the area's most popular blues bands including Sweet Willie Tea, Monsieur Guillaume and his Zydeco Heccats, Jones' and returning bands from last year including The Alligators, Front Street Blues Band and The Boa Constrictors.
For more information, including sponsorship opportunities, call (734) 467-3200 or visit www.cityofwestland.com.

Recreation Advisory Board to generate funds for community projects.
The 2012 Fun Raising Golf Outing will include an 18-hole scramble with cart, lunch and prizes. The fee is \$75 per golfer and lunch will be served at the Wayne Community Center at 1 p.m. the golf course is located at 2936 Lotz Road in Canton Township.
For more information regarding registration and fees, call (734) 721-0100 or sherie@waynechamber.net.

Annual home tour planned
The 17th Annual Northville-Novi Home Tour sponsored by the American Association of University Women will take place from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Sept. 29.
This year, the show theme will be "Three Centuries off Homes"
Tickets for the event will be \$20
For more information visit www.aauwnn.org